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MEMORANDUM TO THE STAFF:

Members of the staff will be glad to learn that Dr. Robert D. Leigh has been appointed Director of our Service to succeed Mr. Free, and that he will take office tomorrow. Dr. Leigh is widely known in Washington and throughout the country as a man of learning and of practical experience in the affairs of administration and government. After receiving his doctoral degree from Columbia University, Dr. Leigh was a teacher of political science at Reed College in Oregon, was first president and organizer of Bennington College in Vermont, and later served as president of Bard College in New York. Most recently, Dr. Leigh has been associated with the National Resources Planning Board in the Executive Offices of the President.

Official Commission announcement of Dr. Leigh's appointment will be made tomorrow morning, and copies of the announcement will be distributed at that time. Since there probably will not be enough to go around, please share your copies with others.

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